

SENATE BILL 173

By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-101, relative to assault against law enforcement officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-101(b)(1), is amended by adding the following language to the beginning thereto:

Except as provided in subsection (c),

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-101, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(c) Assault is a Class E felony if the victim of the assault was a law enforcement officer and the law enforcement officer was performing an official duty and the defendant knew or should have known that the victim was a law enforcement officer.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.